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MINISTRY OF LAW

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 2nd December, 1965/*Agrahayana* 11, 1887 (*Saka*)

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 30th November, 1965, and is hereby published for general information:—

THE DELHI LAND REFORMS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1965

No. 38 OF 1965

[30*th November,* 1965]

An Act further to amend the Delhi Land Reforms Act, 1954.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Sixteenth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

Short title and commencement.

1. (*1*) This Act may be called the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 1965.

(2) Sections 23 and 24 shall be deemed to have come into force on the seventh day of April, 1958; and the rest of this Act shall come into force at once.

Amendment of section 6.

Delhi Act 8 of 1954.

2. In clause (*b*) of section 6 of the Delhi Land Reforms Act, 1954 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), for the word and figures "section 36", the words, figures and letter "section 36 or section 65A" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 33.

3. Section 33 of the principal Act shall be re-numbered as sub-section (*1*) thereof and after sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, the following sub-section and *Explanation* shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*2*) Nothing contained in sub-section (*1*) shall preclude the transfer of land by a Bhumidhar who holds less than eight standard acres of land, if such transfer is of the entire land held by him:

Provided that such Bhumidhar may transfer a part of such land to any religious or charitable institution or other person referred to in sub-section (*1*).

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section, a religious or charitable institution shall mean an institution established for a religious purpose or a charitable purpose, as the case may be.".

Amendment of section 36.

4. In section 36 of the principal Act, in sub-section (*1*),—

(*a*) in clause (*f*), the word "or" at the end shall be omitted;

(*b*) clause (*g*) shall be re-lettered as clause (*h*), and before the clause as so re-lettered, the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*g*) dependent for assistance in agricultural operations on a person serving in the armed forces of the Union and certified by the Deputy Commissioner to be so dependent; or";

(*c*) in the proviso, for the words, brackets and letters "clauses (*a*) to (*g*)", the words, brackets and letters "clauses (*a*) to (*h*)", shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 38.

5. In section 38 of the principal Act, for the word and figures "section 46", the word and figures "section 42" shall be substituted.

Substitution of new section for section 40.

6. For section 40 of the principal Act, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

Exchange

"40. (*1*) Subject to the provisions of section 33, a Bhumidhar may exchange lands held by him as such—

(*a*) for lands held by any other Bhumidhar as such, or

(*b*) for lands for the time being vested in a Gaon Sabha or local authority or in Government:

Provided that no such exchange shall be made except with the permission of the Deputy Commissioner, who will refuse permission if the difference between the area of the land

given in exchange and of the land received in exchange in terms of standard acres is more than ten per cent. of the area in standard acres of the land which is smaller in area.

(2) Where the Deputy Commissioner permits exchange, he shall also order the relevant annual register to be corrected accordingly.

(3) On exchange made in accordance with sub-section (1), the parties to such exchange shall have the same rights in the land received in exchange as they had in the land given in exchange.".

Amendment of section 42.

7. In section 42 of the principal Act,—

(a) in sub-section (1), for the word and figures "section 33", the words "this Chapter by a Bhumidhar or Asami", for the words "the transferee" in the first place where they occur, the words "the transferee and every person who may have obtained possession of such holding or part" and for the words "Gaon Sabha,", the words "Gaon Sabha or the landholder, as the case may be," shall respectively be substituted;

(b) for sub-section (3), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—

"(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), the Revenue Assistant also may, on receiving information or on his own motion, take action to eject the transferee and every person who may have obtained possession as aforesaid, after following such procedure as may be prescribed.".

Amendment of section 45.

8. In sub-section (2) of section 45 of the principal Act, for the words, brackets, letter and figures "from the operation of clause (b) of section 33", the words brackets and figures "under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 33" shall be substituted.

Omission of section 46.

9. Section 46 of the principal Act shall be omitted.

Amendment of section 47.

10. In section 47 of the principal Act, for the words and figures "in a suit under section 46", the words and figures "under section 42" shall be substituted.

Insertion of new section 65A.

11. After section 65 of the principal Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

Consequences where Bhumidhar

"65A. (1) Where on the basis of any information received by him or otherwise the Deputy Commissioner has reason to believe that any land included in the holding of a Bhumidhar

or Asami leaves land uncultivated.

or Asami has not been used for two consecutive agricultural years immediately preceding for a purpose connected with agriculture, horticulture or animal husbandry which includes pisciculture or poultry farming, he may, unless the land lies within the belt referred to in section 23 or unless sanction under that section has been obtained in respect thereof, by notice require—

(*i*) the Bhumidhar to appear and show cause why the land may not be let out for any such purpose as aforesaid to any person;

(*ii*) the Asami to appear and show cause why his interest may not be extinguished and the land restored to the Bhumidhar or the Gaon Sabha, as the case may be.

(*2*) The notice under sub-section (*1*) shall state the grounds for believing that the land has not been used for any purpose referred to in that sub-section and such other particulars as may be prescribed.

(*3*) If the Bhumidhar or the Asami appears and satisfies the Deputy Commissioner—

(*a*) that the land was used for a purpose connected with agriculture, horticulture or animal husbandry which includes pisciculture and poultry farming during the period mentioned in sub-section (*1*);

(*b*) that he had sufficient cause for not using it as aforesaid; or

(*c*) that he shall, within one year next following the date of service of the notice under sub-section (*1*), use the land for any such purpose as aforesaid unless in the meantime the land is included within any belt referred to in section 23 or the use of the land for industrial purposes is sanctioned under that section,

the Deputy Commissioner shall, in a case falling under clause (*a*) or clause (*b*), discharge the notice forthwith and in a case falling under clause (*c*), postpone further proceedings to a date one year after the date of service of the said notice.

(4) On the date fixed under sub-section (3) or any other date to which the proceedings may be adjourned, the Deputy Commissioner, if he is satisfied that the land has been used for any such purpose as aforesaid during the said period of one year or that the land has been included within the belt referred to in section 23 or that sanction as aforesaid has been obtained in respect thereof, discharge the notice or if he is not so satisfied, unless for reasons to be recorded in writing he allows further time, he shall—

(*i*) if the land is that of the Bhumidhar, lease it on behalf of the Bhumidhar to any person for a period of five years in such manner and on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed;

(*ii*) if the land is that of the Asami of the Bhumidhar, terminate the lease and restore the land to the Bhumidhar subject to the condition that the Bhumidhar shall undertake to cultivate the land within six months from the date it is restored to him; and if the Bhumidhar does not give such undertaking or fails, after giving such undertaking, to cultivate the land within the said period, the Deputy Commissioner may lease the land on behalf of the Bhumidhar, to any person for a period of five years in such manner and on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed; and

(*iii*) if the land is that of the Asami of a Gaon Sabha, terminate the lease and restore the land to the Gaon Sabha:

Provided that the restoration of the land of the Asami under this sub-section shall be without prejudice to any right of the Bhumidhar or Gaon Sabha, as the case may be, to recover any rent due from the Asami.

(5) If the Bhumidhar or Asami appears in response to the notice under sub-section (*1*) but does not undertake to use the land as provided in clause (*c*) of sub-section (*3*), or if the Bhumidhar or Asami does not appear in response to such notice and the Deputy Commissioner, after such inquiry as he may consider necessary, is satisfied that the Bhumidhar or Asami has failed to use the land as aforesaid during the period referred to in sub-section (*1*), he shall, unless for reasons to be recorded in writing he decides to discharge the notice, take action under clause (*i*) or clause (*ii*) or, as the case may be, clause (*iii*) of sub-section (*4*).

(6) On the expiry of the period of any lease of land under sub-section (4) or sub-section (5), if the Deputy Commissioner, after making such inquiry as he thinks fit, is satisfied—

(a) that the land has been properly cultivated, he may declare the lessee to be Bhumidhar in respect of such land subject to the payment by him to the original Bhumidhar of compensation equal to twenty times the land revenue then payable for such land either in one lump sum or in such instalments together with interest as may be prescribed and upon such declaration the interest of the original Bhumidhar shall be extinguished;

(b) that the land has not been properly cultivated by the lessee, the Deputy Commissioner shall terminate the lease and may lease the land on behalf of the Bhumidhar, to another person for a period of five years in such manner and on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed and on the expiry of the period of such lease, the provisions of this sub-section shall apply:

Provided that no lease shall be terminated unless the lessee has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

(7) Nothing contained in this section shall apply to a Bhumidhar to whom the provisions of section 65 apply.".

Amendment of section 67.

12. In section 67 of the principal Act, after clause (b), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(bb) when a declaration in respect of such holding or part is made under clause (a) of sub-section (6) of section 65A,".

Amendment of section 68.

13. In section 68 of the principal Act, after clause (d), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(dd) where his lease is terminated under clause (ii) or clause (iii) of sub-section (4), or clause (b) of sub-section (6), of section 65A,".

14. In section 75 of the principal Act,— Amendment of section 75.

(*a*) in sub-section (*1*)—

(*i*) clause (*a*) shall be re-lettered as clause (*aa*) and before the clause as so re-lettered, the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*a*) persons in the armed forces of the Union and the dependents of such of those persons as are killed in action, special preference being given in the case of persons decorated for gallantry,";

(*ii*) in the first proviso, for the word, brackets and letter "clause (*a*)", the word, brackets and letters "clause (*aa*)" and for the word and figures "section 84", the words, brackets and figures "sub-section (*1*) of section 84" shall respectively be substituted;

(*b*) for sub-section (*2*), the following sub-sections shall be substituted, namely:—

"(*2*) The Deputy Commissioner may, on his own motion, and shall, on the application of any person aggrieved by an order of the Gaon Sabha passed under sub-section (*1*), enquire in the prescribed manner and if he is satisfied that the Gaon Sabha has acted with substantial irregularity or otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this Act, he may cancel such order.

(*3*) Where the Deputy Commissioner cancels an order relating to admission of a person as Bhumidhar or Asami, the right, title and interest of such person or any person claiming through him shall cease in the land to which the order relates and shall revert to the Gaon Sabha and any person holding or retaining possession of such land after such cancellation shall be deemed to be a trespasser in respect of such land and shall be liable to ejectment in the manner prescribed.".

15. In section 76 of the principal Act, for the figures and word "46, 81, 86 and 87", the figures, letter and word "81, 85, 86, 86A and 87" shall be substituted. Amendment of section 76.

16. Section 77 of the principal Act shall be re-numbered as sub-section (*1*) thereof and,— Amendment of section 77.

(*a*) in clause (*a*) of sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, for the word and figures "section 46", the word and figures "section 42" shall be substituted;

(*b*) after sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*2*) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (*1*), a Bhumidhar referred to in clause (*f*) of sub-section (*1*) of section 36 may, on retirement or discharge from the armed forces of the Union or on being sent on Reserve, within six months of such retirement or discharge or of his being sent on Reserve, apply to the Deputy Commissioner for ejectment of the Asami of his land, and the Deputy Commissioner may, after notice to the Asami and subject to such conditions as he may think fit to impose, cause possession of the land to be delivered to such Bhumidhar as soon as possible or, where there are standing crops on such land, within one month of the harvesting of such crops.".

Amendment of section 80.

17. In section 80 of the principal Act, for the word and figures "section 77", the words, brackets and figures "sub-section (*1*) of section 77" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 81.

18. Section 81 of the principal Act shall be re-numbered as sub-section (*1*) thereof and—

(*a*) in sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, for the word "damage", the word "damages" shall be substituted;

(*b*) after sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*2*) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (*1*), the Revenue Assistant also may, on receiving information or on his own motion, eject the Bhumidhar or Asami, as the case may be, and also recover the damages referred to in sub-section (*1*), after following such procedure as may be prescribed.".

Amendment of section 84.

19. Section 84 of the principal Act shall be re-numbered as sub-section (*1*) thereof, and after sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*2*) Where any person against whom a decree for ejectment from any land has been executed in pursuance of a suit under sub-section (*1*) re-enters or attempts to re-enter upon such land otherwise than under authority of law, he shall be presumed to have done so with intent to intimidate or annoy the person in possession or the Gaon Sabha, as the case may be, within the meaning of section 441 of the Indian Penal Code.". 45 of 1860.

Amendment of section 85.

20. In section 85 of the principal Act,—

(*a*) in clause (*iii*), for the word and figures "section 84", the words, brackets and figures "sub-section (*1*) of section 84" shall be substituted;

(*b*) the following provisos shall be inserted at the end, namely:—

"Provided that if in the revenue records of the fasli year ending on the 30th June, 1954, the land referred to in clause (*iii*) was not included in the holding of the person taking or retaining possession or his predecessor-in-interest, or was not recorded as being in the cultivation of such person or his predecessor-in-interest, then, notwithstanding the expiry of the aforesaid period of limitation for such suit or decree, the suit may be filed or the decree obtained in such suit may be executed within a period of three years from the date of passing of the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 1965:

Provided further that the benefit of the extension of the period of limitation under the preceding proviso shall not be availed of in any case where a person who has become a Bhumidhar in respect of any land under clause (*iii*) has transferred such land to another person for valuable consideration before the 10th May, 1965.".

Insertion of new section 86A.

21. After section 86 of the principal Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

Ejectment by Revenue Assistant of persons occupying land without title.

"86A. Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 84, 85 and 86, the Revenue Assistant also may, on receiving information or on his own motion, eject any person who is liable to be ejected from any land on a suit of the Gaon Sabha under any of those sections, after following such procedure as may be prescribed.".

Amendment of section 138

22. In section 138 of the principal Act, the second proviso shall be omitted.

Amendment of section 150.

23. In section 150 of the principal Act, after sub-section (2), the following sub-sections shall be inserted, namely:—

"(3) If the whole of a Gaon Sabha area ceases to be included in rural areas as defined in the Delhi Municipal Corporation Act,

1957, by virtue of a notification under section 507 of that Act, the Gaon Sabha constituted for that area shall thereupon stand dissolved and on such dissolution,— 66 of 1957

(*a*) all properties, movable and immovable, and all interests of whatsoever nature and kind therein, including moneys held in Gaon Sabha Area Fund, vested in the Gaon Sabha immediately before such dissolution, shall, with all rights of whatsoever description, used, enjoyed or possessed by such Gaon Sabha, vest in the Central Government;

(*b*) all duties, obligations and liabilities incurred, all contracts entered into and all matters and things engaged to be done by, with or for the Gaon Sabha before such dissolution shall be deemed to have been incurred, entered into or engaged to be done with or for the Central Government;

(*c*) all rates, taxes, cesses, fees, rents and other charges due to the Gaon Sabha immediately before such dissolution shall be deemed to be due to the Central Government;

(*d*) all suits, prosecutions and other legal proceedings instituted or which might have been instituted by or against the Gaon Sabha may be continued or instituted by or against the Union of India;

(*e*) the provisions of this Act shall apply in relation to lands in such Gaon Sabha area, not being lands vested in the Central Government under clause (*a*), subject to the modification that references therein to Gaon Sabha and Gaon Panchayat shall be construed as references to the Central Government;

(*f*) notwithstanding anything contained in clause (*b*) of sub-section (2) of section 1, the provisions of sections 84, 85, 86, 86A and 87 and any other provision of this Act relating to ejectment of persons shall apply in relation to lands vested in the Central Government under clause (*a*) subject to the modification that references therein to Gaon Sabha and Gaon Panchayat shall be construed as references to the Central Government.

(4) If only a portion of a Gaon Sabha area ceases to be included in rural areas as aforesaid, the jurisdiction of the Gaon Sabha constituted for that area shall cease in respect of that portion and upon such cesser, the provisions of clauses (*a*) to (*f*) of sub-section (3) shall apply to that portion as if the Gaon Sabha had been constituted for that portion alone and dissolved, subject to such incidental and consequential orders as the Chief Commissioner may deem necessary to make.

(5) If the size of a Gaon Sabha area is reduced as a result of a portion thereof ceasing to be included in rural areas as aforesaid and the Chief Commissioner is of the opinion that the size of the Gaon Sabha area is not sufficiently large to be under the jurisdiction of a separate Gaon Sabha, he may, by notification in the Official Gazette, declare that such Gaon Sabha area shall, from a date to be specified in the notification, cease to be a separate Gaon Sabha area and the Gaon Sabha constituted therefor shall stand dissolved and may direct that the said area shall be included in one or more adjoining Gaon Sabha areas, and thereupon, the provisions of section 3 of the Delhi Panchayat Raj Act, 1954, shall, so far as may be, apply.".

Delhi Act 5 of 1955.

Amendment of section 154.

24. Section 154 of the principal Act shall be re-numbered as sub-section (*1*) thereof and after sub-section (*1*) as so re-numbered, the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*2*) Where any land which is vested in the Central Government under sub-section (*3*) or sub-section (*4*) of section 150, is held immediately before such vesting by an Asami of a Gaon Sabha, then, notwithstanding anything contained in clause (*b*) of sub-section (*2*) of section 1, and so long as it is held by such Asami, the provisions of this Act shall continue to apply to such land subject to the modification that all references therein to Gaon Sabha and Gaon Panchayat shall in relation to such land be construed as references to the Central Government.".

Insertion of new sections 161A and 161B.

25. After section 161 of the principal Act, the following sections shall be inserted, namely:—

Government of India to be impleaded in certain suits by or against Gaon Sabhas.

"161A. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, or any other law for the time being in force,— 5 of 1908.

(*a*) no suit or other proceeding under sub-section (*2*) of section 36 of the Delhi Panchayat Raj Act, 1954, shall, after the date of passing of the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 1965, be instituted or, as the case may be, continued in any civil or revenue court unless the Union of India has been added as a plaintiff or defendant according as the case is by or against the Gaon Sabha; Delhi Act 3 of 1955.

(*b*) no such suit or other proceeding shall be decided on the admission by the Pradhan or any representative of the Gaon Sabha with respect to the right or title of any person

to the property in dispute, whether made on his own motion or on the authority of a resolution of the Gaon Panchayat unless such admission has been authorised in writing by the Director of Panchayats, Delhi, or by such other officer as the Chief Commissioner may specify in this behalf.

Certain decrees and orders to be set aside.

161B. (*1*) Where in any suit or proceeding before any civil or revenue court filed under sub-section (*2*) of section 36 of the Delhi Panchayat Raj Act, 1954, the ownership of any land has been decided in favour of any person other than the Gaon Sabha before the date of passing of the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 1965, then, notwithstanding anything contained in clause (*b*) of sub-section (*2*) of section 1 or in any other law for the time being in force, such decree or order shall, on an application made by the Government of India within twelve months from that date or within such further period as the court may, for sufficient cause, allow, be set aside if in the revenue records of the fasli year ending on the 30th June, 1954, such land was not included in the holding of the person in whose favour the decree or order was passed or his predecessor-in-interest, or was not recorded as being in the cultivation of such person or his predecessor-in-interest.

Delhi Act 3 of 1955.

(*2*) On the setting aside of any decree or order in any suit or proceeding by or against the Gaon Sabha under sub-section (*1*), such suit or proceeding shall be tried or heard afresh with the Union of India added as a party.".

Amendment of Schedule I.

26. In Schedule I to the principal Act, —

(*a*) in column 6, for the words "Fifteen annas", wherever they occur, the letters and figures "Rs. 1·25P." shall be substituted;

(*b*) for the entries against Serial No. 9, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
"9	42	(*i*) Suit for ejectment of transferee under sub-section (1).	None	None	As in the Court-fees Act, 1870.	Revenue Assistant.	Deputy Commissioner.	Chief Commissioner in the case of Bhumidhar only.
		(*ii*) Proceedings for ejectment of transferee under sub-section (3).	Do.	Do.	Nil	Do.	Do.	Do.";

(*c*) Serial No. 10 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted ;

(*d*) after Serial No. 13 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely:—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
"13A	65A	(*i*) Proceedings for leasing land on behalf of Bhumidhar under clause (*i*) or clause (*ii*) of sub-section (4) or under sub-section (5).	Do.	Do.	Nil	Deputy Commissioner.	Chief Commissioner.	..

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		(*ii*) Proceedings for terminating the lease under clause (*ii*) or clause (*iii*) of sub-section (*4*) or under sub-section (*5*).	None	None	Nil	Deputy Commissioner.	Chief Commissioner.	..
		(*iii*) Proceedings for declaring the lessee to be Bhumidhar and extinguishing the interest of the original Bhumidhar under clause (*a*) of sub-section (*6*).	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	..
		(*iv*) Proceedings for termination of lease and for fresh lease of land under clause (*b*) of sub-section (*6*).	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.	..”;

(*e*) for Serial No. 15 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
“15	75	(*i*) Application for cancellation of order of Gaon Sabha relating to admission of a person to land.	Six months	From the date of order of Gaon Sabha.	Rs. 1.25P.	Deputy Commissioner.	Chief Commissioner.	..
		(*ii*) Proceedings by Deputy Commissioner for such cancellation.	Do.	When the Deputy Commissioner first knew of the irregular allotment.	Nil	Do.	Do.	..”;

(*f*) against Serial No. 16, for the entries in columns 6, 7 and 8, the entries “Rs. 1.25P.”, “Revenue Assistant” and “Deputy Commissioner”, and for the figures, brackets and letters “77(*a*)”, “77(*b*)”, “77(*c*)” and “77(*d*)”, wherever they occur, the figures, brackets and letters “77(*1*)(*a*)”, “77(*1*)(*b*)”, “77(*1*)(*c*)” and “77(*1*)(*d*)” shall respectively be substituted;

(*g*) after Serial No. 16 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely :—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
"16A	77(2)	Application by member of armed forces of the Union for ejectment of Asami.	Six months	From the date of retirement or discharge or of being sent on Reserve.	Rs. 1.25P.	Deputy Commissioner.	..	.. ";

(*h*) for Serial No. 17 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be substituted, namely :—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
"17	81	(*i*) Suit for ejectment of Bhumidhar or Asami and for damages under sub-section (*1*).	Three years	From the date of unlawful use of the land.	As in the Court-fees Act, 1870.	Revenue Assistant.	Deputy Commissioner.	..
		(*ii*) Proceedings under sub-section (*2*).	Three years or one year from the date of passing of the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 1965, whichever period expires later.	Do.	Nil	Do.	Do.	. ";

(*i*) against Serial No. 18, for the entry in column 6, the entry "As in the Court-fees Act, 1870" shall be substituted;

(*j*) after Serial No. 19 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely :—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
"19A	85	Suit for ejectment of a person referred to in the first proviso.	Three years	From the date of passing of the Delhi Land Reforms (Amendment) Act, 1965.	Do.	Do.	Do.	. ";

(*k*) after Serial No. 20 and the entries relating thereto, the following shall be inserted, namely :—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
"20A	86A	Proceedings for ejectment of persons occupying land without title.	Same as that provided for a suit under section 84, 85 or 86, as the case may be.	Same as that provided for a suit under section 84, 85 or 86, as the case may be.	Nil.	Revenue Assistant.	Deputy Commissioner.	";

(*l*) against Serial No. 21, for the entry in column 6, the entry "As in the Court-fees Act, 1870" shall be substituted.

Validation of action taken by Deputy Commissioner on behalf of Gaon Sabhas

27. Notwithstanding any judgment, decree or order of any Court, anything done or any action taken by the Deputy Commissioner, Delhi, before the date of passing of this Act in pursuance of any notification under section 161 of the principal Act in the discharge of any duties or the exercise of any powers or the performance of any functions of the Gaon Sabha or Gaon Panchayat under the principal Act in relation to any land vested in the Central Government under sub-section (*3*) or sub-section (*4*) of section 150 of the principal Act as amended by this Act shall be deemed to have been validly and lawfully done or taken on behalf of the Central Government and accordingly if before the said date—

(*a*) any suit or proceeding is pending in any court to which the Deputy Commissioner and the Gaon Sabha are a party, the Union of India shall be deemed to be substituted therefor in that suit or proceeding; and

(*b*) where any suit or proceeding has been dismissed on the ground that the Deputy Commissioner and the Gaon Sabha had no *locus standi* to file such suit or proceeding, it shall be restored and continued with the Union of India as having been substituted as a party.

R. C. S. SARKAR,
Secy. of the Govt. of India.

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